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Abstract

Male and female mice were fed diets containing up to 500 mg HMX/kg/day for 14 days with the object of selecting dose levels for a 13 week study. Deaths occurred in males at 300 mg/kg and above and in females at 800 mg/kg and above. Clinical signs included hyperkinesia. Histopathology of premature decedents revealed some hepatocellular hyperplasia, cytoplasmic eosinophilia and cellular depletion of splenic red and white pulp. Cause of death was not determined.

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### SUMMARY

The object of this study was to provide information on the toxic effects of the test substance and to give an indication of suitable dose levels for subsequent studies.

Groups of 6♂ and 6♀ B6C3F<sub>1</sub> mice were fed diets containing Octahydro-1,3,5,7-tetranitro-1,3,5,7-tetrazocine (HMX) for 14 days at nominal dose levels of 0, 100, 300, 900 and 2700 mg HMX/kg/day for males and 0, 320, 800, 2000 and 5000 mg HMX/kg/day for females. At the end of this period all the surviving mice were killed and subjected to necropsy. Subsequent histopathological examination of selected target organs was carried out on all control animals together with all the premature decedents from groups 3, 4 and 5.

The results obtained are summarised below:

#### Mortality

There were 29 premature decedents distributed as follows:

	Males					Females				
Dose Group	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Nominal Dose Level mg HMX/kg/ day	0	100	300	900	2700	0	320	800	2000	5000
% Mortality	0	0	83	100	100	0	0	33	67	100

#### Clinical Signs

HMX treated animals exhibited piloerection, hunched posture and a subdued/emaciated appearance. Hyperkinesia was observed when the animals were aroused, increased sensitivity to audio stimuli was also noted. Two convulsions were observed among the group 3 males (300 mg HMX/kg/day).

#### Body Weight

Depressed body weight gain/weight loss was observed for the HMX treated groups during week 1. Surviving animals regained the weight lost during the second week of dosing.

### Food Consumption

Dose related reductions in food consumption were observed during the first week of dosing. During week 2 food consumption values for surviving animals were only slightly less than those of controls.

### Water Consumption

No obvious treatment related differences in water consumption were observed.

### Terminal Studies

#### Organ Weights

Absolute organ weights were found to be similar for control and HMX treated animals. Slight differences observed for relative weight profiles were attributed to the reduced body weight gain shown by the HMX treated animals.

#### Gross Pathology and Histopathology

Histopathological examination of the premature decedents in the groups receiving HMX, showed a dose related increase in incidence of hepatocellular hyperplasia and cytoplasmic eosinophilia, splenic red and white pulp cellular depletion and thymic cellular depletion.

### INTRODUCTION

Octahydro-1,3,5,7-tetranitro-1,3,5,7-tetrazocine (HMX) is an explosive and is found in the water effluent from the manufacturing processes for RDX and HMX.

This report describes a 14 day dietary study in mice conducted to set dose levels for a proposed 90 day study.

The study was undertaken at the Elphinstone Research Centre of Inveresk Research International Limited over the period 13 October-4 November 1980.

## MATERIALS AND METHODS

### Test Substance

The HMX (Lot No. HMX-IRI-001) was manufactured by the Royal Ordnance Factory, Somerset. The bulk of the material (5 kg wetted with 15.25% water and packaged in individual 50 g lots) was stored at Nobel's Explosive Company, Muirside, Dunfermline. Small amounts of HMX were transported in an approved container, to the IRI laboratories as required. The samples used in this study were obtained on 4 August, 16 September and 7 October 1980. The test compound was stored in a Ministry of Defence approved container under ambient conditions in the company dispensary. Prior to use the required amount of HMX was removed from this container and dried at approximately 90°C overnight. The dried HMX was then stored in a glass desiccator until used.

### Animals

Thirty five male and 35 female B6C3F<sub>1</sub> mice (18 g body weight) were obtained from Charles River (U.S.A.) Limited, Wilmington, Mass. on 1 October 1980. Sixty mice (30 ♂ and 30 ♀) were allowed to acclimatise to their new environment for 12 days before treatment commenced.

### Pre-experiment Acceptance Testing

All animals were examined on arrival for signs of disease. Five animals of each sex were selected, firstly on the basis of a clinical examination and secondly in a random choice manner, and subjected to a microbial examination and histopathological evaluation of main organs. The results of these tests showed that the delivery of animals was of an acceptable standard for use on this study.

### Animal Management

The mice were housed in an animal room dedicated to this experiment with a light intensity of approximately 200 lux, a 12 h light-dark cycle, temperatures automatically maintained at 20°C ± 2°C with extreme limits of 20°C and 24°C, and humidity ca 50% with extreme limits of 34% and 65%.

### Caging

The mice were housed one per cage in polypropylene cages (overall dimensions 12 cm x 11.5 cm x 42 cm) with a stainless steel wire grid top. Cages were changed once each week.

### Diet

Food and tap water were freely available to the mice at all times. The diet used was BP Nutrition Expanded Maintenance Diet, a ground diet adequate for all stages of growth in mice.

Typical analyses of both water and diet are presented in Appendix 1.

### Allocation of Mice to Cages and Treatment Groups

Empty cages were placed on racks, then upon receipt, starting first with male mice, a transporting box was opened and a mouse placed in the first cage at the top left hand corner of the rack. A second mouse was removed from the same transporting box and placed in the next cage and so on until 35 cages each contained one male mouse.

This process was repeated using new cages and female mice.

Following a 2 day transportation recovery period animals were allocated to specific treatment groups using a stratified body weight sequenced randomisation procedure.

Four body weight ranges were selected for each sex. Starting first with the males, the animals were removed from their cages, weighed and then placed in one of 4 large stainless steel holding cages according to their body weight. Six rows of cages, each row containing 5 cages, were then arranged on racks. Two sets of computer generated random number permutations were obtained, the first set gave 5 random sets of numbers from 1-6 corresponding to the number of sequences of cages and the second gave 6 random sets of numbers from 1-5 corresponding to the number of treatment groups.

Starting with the lowest weight range of male mice, one animal was placed in a cage according to the sequence position indicated by the first number in the first set of random numbers. The cage was then assigned to a treatment group using the second random number set. This process was repeated until all the male mice from the 4 different weight ranges had been assigned to cages and treatment groups.

This complete process was repeated for the female mice.

### Animal Identification, Treatment Groups and Dose Levels

Each animal received a unique ear punch which identified it individually within the study and which corresponded to that animal's number. Each mouse was ascribed a cage card which identified that animal by project number, cage number, animal number, sex and treatment group. Each cage card was colour-coded according to the treatment group.

The treatment groups were as follows:

Dose Group	Dose Level mg HMX/kg/day		Colour Code	Animal Numbers	
	♂	♀		♂	♀
1	0	0	Green	401-406	431-436
2	100	320	Blue	407-412	437-442
3	300	800	Yellow	413-418	443-448
4	900	2000	Buff	419-424	449-454
5	2700	5000	Red	425-430	455-460

### Animal Room Sanitation

Floors were mopped each morning, using a mop impregnated with Tego, an ampholytic detergent (A.J. Beveridge, Edinburgh) before other work in the room had begun. In the afternoon, floors were swept and then mopped with Tego disinfectant solution after work in the room was finished.

### Diet Preparation

Diets containing HMX were prepared fresh at the beginning of each study week. The concentration of test compound in the diet was calculated weekly after predicting the mid-week body weight and food consumption for the forthcoming week.

$$\text{Concentration (ppm, w/w)} = \frac{\text{Dose level (mg/kg/day)} \times \text{predicted mid-week body weight (g)}}{\text{predicted daily food consumption (g)}}$$

$$\text{Amount of test substance required (g)} = \frac{\text{ppm} \times \text{weight of diet required}}{1000}$$

After drying to a constant weight HMX was sieved through a plastic 100 µm mesh sieve immediately before use. The requisite

amounts of HMX and powdered diet were measured out, transferred to plastic containers, sealed and mixed for 20 min using a Winkworth change drum tumble mixer.

#### Dietary Sampling

Ten gram samples were taken from the top, middle and bottom of the container holding the freshly mixed diet to confirm stability and homogeneity of mixing of HMX. These samples, along with a 100 g sample taken for Archives, were taken from all diet mixes including controls.

#### Analysis of HMX in Diets

##### Analytical Method

HMX was analysed by high performance liquid chromatography (HPLC).

Three samples (of an appropriate size depending on the nominal concentration of HMX in the diet) were weighed into 3 x 8 oz glass jars. To this was added an appropriate volume of internal standard solution (1,3-dinitrobenzene in acetonitrile) and sufficient acetonitrile for complete extraction. The glass jars were then capped and shaken mechanically for one hour after which the jars were removed and the contents allowed to settle. An aliquot of the liquid fraction was injected into the HPLC and analysed either directly or after suitable dilution using acetonitrile:water (20:30 v/v).

Standard solutions of HMX were prepared by adding known amounts of HMX to samples of untreated diets. These were treated with internal standard solution and extracting solvent as described above for the formulated diet samples. Further details are reported under project DAMD 17-80-C-0053.

#### Stability and Homogeneity of HMX in Diets

Before commencement of the study experiments were performed to determine homogeneity and stability of HMX treated diets. Accordingly diets containing 1,250, 10,000 and 25,000 ppm (w/w) of HMX were formulated. Ten representative samples from each diet mixture were analysed immediately after preparation. Ten samples from each diet were subjected to accelerated ageing by storage at 40°C in an environmental cabinet and analysed after 14 days. The remainder of each diet was stored at room temperature and analysed after 21 days.

Results of these analyses showed that mixing procedures and stability were deemed satisfactory (see Appendix 2).

#### HPLC Conditions

HPLC: Altex pump, Pye Unicam LC3 UV Spectrophotometer  
Column: Hypersil ODS (10 cm x 0.5 cm)  
Solvent: Acetonitrile:water (20:30 v/v)  
Flow: 1 ml/min  
Wavelength: 228 nm  
Recorder: Servoscribe 1 s-10 mV  
Chart Speed: 300 mm/h

#### Observations

##### Mortality

All animals were inspected for any deaths at the start of each working day and again during the afternoon clinical signs check.

##### Clinical Signs

The mice were observed at intervals throughout the working day for any signs of ill health or reaction to treatment.

##### Physical Examination

Each animal was given a detailed physical examination for external lesions or palpable masses.

##### Body Weights

The weight of each mouse was recorded on the day dosing commenced and twice each week thereafter. Animals were also weighed twice in the week prior to the start of treatment.

##### Food Consumption

Food consumption was recorded on a weekly basis. The quantity of food eaten by each mouse was calculated by measurement of the amount of food given at the beginning of each week and deducting that remaining in the food hopper at the end of each week and any that may have been scattered on the cage floor during that week.



### Water Consumption

The quantity of water consumed by each mouse was assessed each week by visual assessment of the calibrated water bottle.

### Terminal Studies

On day 15 of dosing all the surviving mice were sacrificed by nitrogen asphyxiation. Blood samples of ca 1 ml were taken into heparin via the posterior vena cava from all animals. Plasma was separated by centrifugation and stored deep frozen at -20°C for analysis at a later date.

### Gross Necropsy

A full necropsy was performed as detailed below. Each mouse was examined externally including the body orifices along with examination of internal organs and tissues.

The following organs were taken at necropsy:

- Brain
- Heart
- \*Kidneys
- \*Liver
- Spleen
- Thymus

The fresh weights of the organs marked \* were recorded before preservation.

All organs were examined in situ, then dissected from the carcass, re-examined, including cut surfaces, and then preserved in 10% neutral buffered formalin.

Tissues were fixed after slicing to a thickness not exceeding 0.5 cm.

Liver lobes were sliced, the kidneys longitudinally bisected and the cut surfaces examined before fixation.

All gross lesions were recorded in narrative, descriptive terms, including size (in mm), number, shape, colour and texture.

Carcasses of animals were discarded immediately following autopsy and the placing of all tissues listed above in fixative.

### Processing of Fixed Tissues

The fixation time was 7 days.

Tissues were trimmed to a maximum thickness of 0.3 cm for processing.

Parenchymal organs, e.g. liver, were trimmed to allow the largest surface area possible for examination.

Multi-longitudinal sections through the entire cortex and medulla of each kidney were submitted.

Three cross sections of brain including (a) frontal cortex and basal ganglia, (b) parietal cortex and thalamus and (c) cerebellum and pons were submitted.

### Histological Technique

Tissue were cut to 4-6  $\mu$ m thickness and stained with haematoxylin and eosin (H & E).

All staining methods used are described in "Histological Laboratory Methods" by Disbrey and Rack (E.S. Livingstone Limited, Edinburgh, 1970).

### Histopathological Examination

Histopathological examination of the tissues listed above was carried out on all control animals together with all the premature decedents. Tissues from other animals were preserved but not examined.

### Statistical Analysis

Whenever considered necessary, numerical data were subjected to statistical analysis using Student's 't' test.

The levels of significance as indicated in the report are:

- \* Significantly different from controls,  $P < 0.05$
- \*\* Significantly different from controls,  $P < 0.01$
- \*\*\* Significantly different from controls,  $P < 0.001$

### Archiving

On completion of all practical work the biological material and data generated during the study was stored, together with samples of the diet formulations and a sample of the test

compound used, in the Scientific Archives of Inveresk Research International Limited. All materials relating to this study will be retained for a minimum period of 5 years.

## RESULTS

Dosing period: 23 October 1980-3 November 1980

Necropsy: 4 November 1980

### Observations

#### Mortality

There were 29 premature decedents during the course of this study. The time of death and mortality distribution is presented in Table 1.

#### Clinical Signs

##### Males

Group 1 - No abnormalities were observed.  
(Control)

Group 2 - Day 5, hyperkinesia/excitability observed  
(100 mg/ 6, 7: in all animals when aroused.  
kg/day)

Group 3 - Day 2: 414♂ found dead in cage. Hyper-  
(300 mg/ kinesia and sensitivity to audio  
kg/day) stimuli observed in all animals when  
aroused. One animal (415♂) observed  
having a convulsion.

Day 3: surviving animals extremely sensi-  
tive to external stimuli, erect  
peni observed in 2 animals. When  
aroused the animals held their tails  
horizontally, producing a quivering  
effect. Animal 415♂ had an emaci-  
ated, hunched appearance with pilo-  
erection - killed in extremis.

Day 4: 416♂ penis erect, piloerection,  
hunched/emaciated appearance -  
killed in extremis.

Day 5- hyperkinesia, tail quivering when  
7: aroused.

Day 8: surviving animals appeared emaciated,  
417♂ observed having a convulsion -  
died 1½ h later. Blood observed at  
animal's mouth, cage also heavily  
blood stained.

Day 9: 413♂ found dead in cage.

Group 4 - Day 1: 424♂ found dead in cage, remaining  
(900 mg/ animals had a hunched appearance.  
kg/day)

Day 2: 423♂ found dead in cage, others  
appeared to be sensitive to audio  
stimuli.

- Day 3: all animals sensitive to external stimuli, tails quivering and held horizontally when aroused. Numbers 420♂ and 421♂ observed to have piloerection, erect peni and a hunched emaciated appearance. Number 421♂ unable to maintain upright posture - later found dead in cage. Number 420♂ killed in extremis.
- Day 4: 419♂, 422♂ piloerection, hunched/emaciated appearance, 419♂ hyperkinetic when aroused. Number 422♂ had difficulty in standing - killed in extremis.
- Day 5: 419♂ found dead in cage.
- Group 5 - Day 1: 429♂ found dead in cage, others (2700 mg/kg/day) appeared subdued with hunched appearance.
- Day 2: 426♂, 428♂ and 430♂ found dead in their cages. Surviving animals sensitive to audio stimuli.
- Day 3: 425♂ and 427♂ subdued, piloerection, hunched/emaciated appearance, both animals sensitive to external stimuli when aroused, tails quivering and held horizontally. Killed in extremis.

#### Females

- Group 1 - No abnormalities were observed.  
(Control)
- Group 2 - Day 6, hyperkinesia observed when animals (320 mg/kg/day) 7: aroused.
- Group 3 - Day 3: from day 3, and for most of the (800 mg/kg/day) remainder of the dosing period, all animals showed hyperkinesia when aroused.
- Day 8: 448♀ found dead in cage.
- Day 10: 443♀ bald patches on abdomen, fore legs and right hind leg.
- Day 14: 447♀ found dead in cage.
- Group 4 - Day 1: all animals appeared slightly sub- (2000 mg/kg/day) dued.

- Day 3: from day 3, and for most of the remainder of the dosing period, all animals showed hyperkinesia when aroused.
- Day 4: 454♀ found dead in cage.
- Day 6: 449♀, 450♀ and 453♀ all found dead in their cages.
- Day 7: surviving animals had a hunched appearance and piloerection.
- Group 5 - Day 1: all animals subdued.  
(5000 mg/kg/day)
- Day 3: 457♀ and 459♀ subdued, emaciated/hunched appearance, hypokinetic when aroused. Remaining animals hyperkinetic when aroused.
- Day 4: all animals had an emaciated/hunched appearance, 455♀ hyperkinetic. Number 459♀ killed in extremis.
- Day 5: 455♀ and 458♀ found dead in their cages, surviving animals were subdued with an emaciated hunched appearance, hyperkinetic when aroused.
- Day 6: 456♀ and 460♀ found dead in their cages, 457♀ killed in extremis.

### Body Weight

Group mean body weights are presented numerically in Tables 2a and 2b and graphically in Figures 1 and 2. Individual values are given in Appendix 3.

### Males

By day 3 of dosing most of the surviving animals receiving HMX treated diet had shown a significant loss of body weight. All animals in groups 4 and 5 died during the first week. After an initial weight loss the surviving mouse in group 3 showed a marked increase in weight gain from day 3 onwards. Following a slight loss in body weight at the start of dosing group 2 mice showed a steady body weight gain. By the end of the 14 day dosing period the group 2 mean body weight was only slightly less than that of the control group.

### Females

Groups 3, 4 and 5 showed a loss in body weight at the start of dosing. All of the group 5 animals died during the first week - a significant weight loss was

observed prior to death. During week 2 of dosing the surviving animals in groups 3 and 4 recovered the weight they had previously lost. Group 2 animals showed a slightly depressed body weight gain when compared to controls.

#### Food Consumption

Group mean food consumption values are presented numerically in Table 3.

Dose related reductions in food consumption were observed during the first week of treatment. During the second week, group mean food consumption values for the HMX treated animals were only slightly less than those of the control animals.

#### Water Consumption

No differences were detected between control and HMX treated animals.

#### Achieved Dosage

The actual amounts of HMX consumed by each dose group are presented in Table 4.

Results obtained from analysis of the freshly prepared diets are presented in Appendix 4.

#### Terminal Studies

##### Organ Weights

Group mean values for kidney and liver weights, expressed in absolute terms and as a percentage of body weight, are presented in Tables 5a and 5b whilst individual values are given in Appendix 5.

Absolute organ weights for both the control and HMX treated animals surviving the 14 day feeding period were considered to be similar.

Slight differences observed in the relative organ weights, of animals receiving HMX treated diet, can probably be attributed to the reduced body weight gain exhibited by the treated animals.

### Gross Pathology and Histopathology

Gross and histopathological findings for individual animals are presented in Appendix 6. Histopathological findings are summarised in Table 6, the evaluation of the limited range of sample types show a dose related increase in incidence of hepatocellular hyperplasia and cytoplasmic eosinophilia, splenic red and white pulp cellular depletion and thymic cellular depletion. Equal effects were found in both sexes.

The hepatocellular eosinophilia could be caused to some degree by autolysis, but in most animals it probably represents an early stage in the hyperplastic process which was invariably present in the same animal.



### DISCUSSION

The early onset of mortality observed among male mice receiving nominal concentrations of 900 and 2700 mg HMX/kg/day is indicative of potent toxicity at these levels. Subsequent mortalities may have been due to nutritional deficiencies caused by unpalatability of the treated diet, probably as a result of the high levels of HMX. This assumption is based upon the marked reduction in food consumption, resulting in a significant body weight loss. However, those animals which survived appeared to develop a tolerance to the HMX treated diet. Increased food consumption and a resumption of body weight gain were observed by the end of the 14 day dosing period. Similar results were obtained with female rats although generally at somewhat higher dose levels.

The histopathological findings in the liver, spleen and thymus of HMX treated animals would indicate a requirement for a detailed histopathological evaluation of these organs in subsequent subchronic studies.

Dose levels selected for the 90 day study were 0, 5, 12, 30, 75 and 200 mg HMX/kg/day for males and 0, 10, 30, 90, 250 and 750 mg HMX/kg/day for females.

TABLE 1  
HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Incidence of Mortality

Day of Dosing	Dose Group/Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)									
	1f 0	2f 100	3f 300	4f 900	5f 2700	1f 0	2f 320	3f 800	4f 2000	5f 5000
1	-	-	-	1a	1a	-	-	-	-	-
2	-	-	1a	1a	3a	-	-	-	-	-
3	-	-	1b	1a, 1b	2b	-	-	-	-	-
4	-	-	1b	1b	-	-	-	-	1a	1b
5	-	-	-	1a	-	-	-	-	-	2a
6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3a	2a, 1b
7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
8	-	-	1a	-	-	-	-	1a	-	-
9	-	-	1a	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1a	-	-
Total	0	0	5	6	6	0	0	2	4	6
Number commencing treatment	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6

a = Found dead in cage  
b = Killed in extremis

TABLE 2a

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Group Mean Body Weights (g) - Males

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Number of Animals	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing									
		Pre-trial			Week 1						
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14	Week 2		
0	Mean + S.D.	22.0 1.4	23.5 1.5	24.3 1.4	24.3 1.4	24.8 1.7	25.5 2.1	25.7 2.1			
100	Mean + S.D.	21.3 1.0	22.8 1.5	23.0 1.7	21.8 <sup>*</sup> 1.7	22.7 <sup>**</sup> 1.9	23.8 2.1	24.8 1.8			
300	Mean + S.D.	19.8 <sup>*</sup> 0.8	21.2 <sup>*</sup> 1.3	22.5 <sup>*</sup> 1.4	17.8(a) <sup>**</sup> 1.9	21.3(c) 2.9	24.0(e) 0.0	24.0(e) 0.0			
900	Mean + S.D.	20.2 <sup>*</sup> 1.2	21.5 <sup>*</sup> 1.5	22.7 1.8	17.3(b) <sup>**</sup> 2.2	+	+	+			
2700	Mean + S.D.	20.3 <sup>*</sup> 0.8	22.5 1.5	23.7 1.6	16.0(d) <sup>**</sup> 1.4	+	+	+			

(a) n = 5      \* Significantly different from controls, P<0.05

(b) n = 4      \*\* Significantly different from controls, P<0.01

(c) n = 3      \*\*\* Significantly different from controls, P<0.001

(d) n = 2      † All animals dead

(e) n = 1

TABLE 2b

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Group Mean Body Weights (g) - Females

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Number of Animals		Treatment Week/Day of Dosing									
			Pre-trial			Week 1			Week 2			
			7	4	0	3	7	10	14			
0	6	Mean + S.D.	17.5 0.5	18.5 0.8	20.2 0.8	21.2 1.0	21.2 0.8	21.3 0.5	22.8 0.8			
320	6	Mean + S.D.	17.2 1.0	18.2 1.0	19.5 1.2	20.0 <sup>*</sup> 0.6	20.0 1.3	19.7 <sup>*</sup> 1.5	21.0 <sup>*</sup> 1.4			
800	6	Mean + S.D.	18.3 1.4	19.7 <sup>*</sup> 0.5	20.5 0.5	19.5 <sup>*</sup> 1.2	20.0 2.2	20.4(a) 1.1	22.0(b) 0.8			
2000	6	Mean + S.D.	18.8 <sup>**</sup> 0.8	20.2 <sup>**</sup> 0.4	21.0 0.9	19.3 <sup>**</sup> 0.8	18.0 <sup>**</sup> (d) 0.0	20.5(d) 0.7	21.5(d) 0.7			
5000	6	Mean + S.D.	18.8 <sup>**</sup> 0.8	20.0 <sup>**</sup> 0.6	21.2 1.0	17.2 <sup>**</sup> 1.7	+	+	+			

(a) n = 5

\* Significantly different from controls, P&lt;0.05

(b) n = 4

\*\* Significantly different from controls, P&lt;0.01

(d) n = 2

\*\*\* Significantly different from controls, P&lt;0.001

+ All animals dead

TABLE 3

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Group Mean Food Consumption

Treatment Week	Dose Group/Group Mean Food Consumption (g/mouse/day)									
	1 $\phi$ (0)	2 $\phi$ (100)	3 $\phi$ (300)	4 $\phi$ (900)	5 $\phi$ (2700)	1 $\phi$ (0)	2 $\phi$ (320)	3 $\phi$ (800)	4 $\phi$ (2000)	5 $\phi$ (5000)
Pre-trial	5.0	4.8	4.6	4.3	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.1	5.4	5.1
1	5.3	4.7	3.5	1.9	1.9	5.5	4.5	3.6	3.1	2.8
2	6.0	5.9	5.4	-	-	5.8	5.1	5.0	5.1	-

TABLE 4

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
 Achieved Dosage: Group Mean Values (mg HMX/kg/day)

Treatment Week	Dose Group/Achieved Dosage (mg HMX/kg/day)									
	1♂ (0)	2♂ (100)	3♂ (300)	4♂ (900)	5♂ (2700)	1♀ (0)	2♀ (320)	3♀ (800)	4♀ (2000)	5♀ (5000)
1	0	111.8	297.5	-	-	0	297.0	581.9	1316.1	-
2	0	127.1	468.5	-	-	0	391.8	1183.4	2775.0	-
Average achieved dosage	0	119.5	383.0	-	-	0	344.4	882.7	2045.6	-

Values in parenthesis indicate nominal concentration (mg HMX/kg/day)  
 Achieved dosage based on actual concentration of HMX analysed in diet

TABLE 5a

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
 Absolute Organ Weights (g)  
 Group Mean Values of Animals Surviving 14 Days Dosing

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Number of Animals/Sex		Kidneys		Liver
			L	R	
0	6♂	Mean + S.D.	0.23 0.03	0.24 0.03	1.38 0.09
100	6♂	Mean + S.D.	0.21 0.01	0.23 0.02	1.35 0.19
300	1♂	Mean + S.D.	0.21 0.0	0.23 0.0	1.38 0.0
0	6♀	Mean + S.D.	0.15 0.004	0.17 0.01	1.25 0.04
320	6♀	Mean + S.D.	0.13 0.04	0.15 <sup>*</sup> 0.02	1.25 0.08
800	4♀	Mean + S.D.	0.15 0.02	0.16 0.01	1.33 0.09
2000	2♀	Mean + S.D.	0.14 0.01	0.15 0.01	1.27 0.25

\* Significantly different from controls,  $P < 0.05$

TABLE 5b

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
 Organ Weights as a % of Body Weight  
 Group Mean Values of Animals Surviving 14 Days Dosing

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Number of Animals/Sex		Kidneys		Liver
			L	R	
0	6♂	Mean + S.D.	0.898 0.065	0.957 0.079	5.548 0.390
100	6♂	Mean + S.D.	0.886 0.057	0.947 0.045	5.590 0.355
300	1♂	Mean + S.D.	0.840 0.0	0.920 0.0	5.520 0.0
0	6♀	Mean + S.D.	0.701 0.019	0.775 0.022	5.801 0.248
320	6♀	Mean + S.D.	0.662 0.173	0.749 0.053	6.267 <sup>*</sup> 0.255
800	4♀	Mean + S.D.	0.717 0.047	0.753 0.020	6.232 <sup>*</sup> 0.237
2000	2♀	Mean + S.D.	0.660 <sup>*</sup> 0.023	0.714 <sup>*</sup> 0.019	5.998 0.774

\* Significantly different from controls,  $P < 0.05$

\*\* Significantly different from controls,  $P < 0.01$



TABLE 6

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Incidence of Histopathological Findings

Organ	Dose Group/Nominal Dose Level (mg HMS/KG/ day)	Group Incidence									
		1		2		3 (a)		4 (a)		5 (a)	
		(0) ♂	(0) ♀	(100) ♂	(320) ♀	(300) ♂	(800) ♀	(900) ♂	(2000) ♀	(2700) ♂	(5000) ♀
	Lesion										
Liver	Eosinophilic cytoplasm	0/6	0/6	-	-	3/5	0/2	5/5	3/4	5/6	6/6
	Increased cellularity	0/6	0/6	-	-	2/5	0/2	5/6	4/4	5/6	6/6
Thymus	Lymphocyte depletion	0/6	0/6	-	-	4/5	1/2	4/4	4/4	4/5	4/4
Spleen	White pulp depletion	0/6	0/6	-	-	2/5	1/2	5/5	4/4	5/6	5/5
	Red pulp depletion	0/6	0/6	-	-	1/5	1/2	5/5	4/4	6/6	5/5

(a) premature decedents observed in groups 3, 4 and 5

- no histopathology undertaken

FIGURE 1

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Group Mean Body Weight (g) - Males

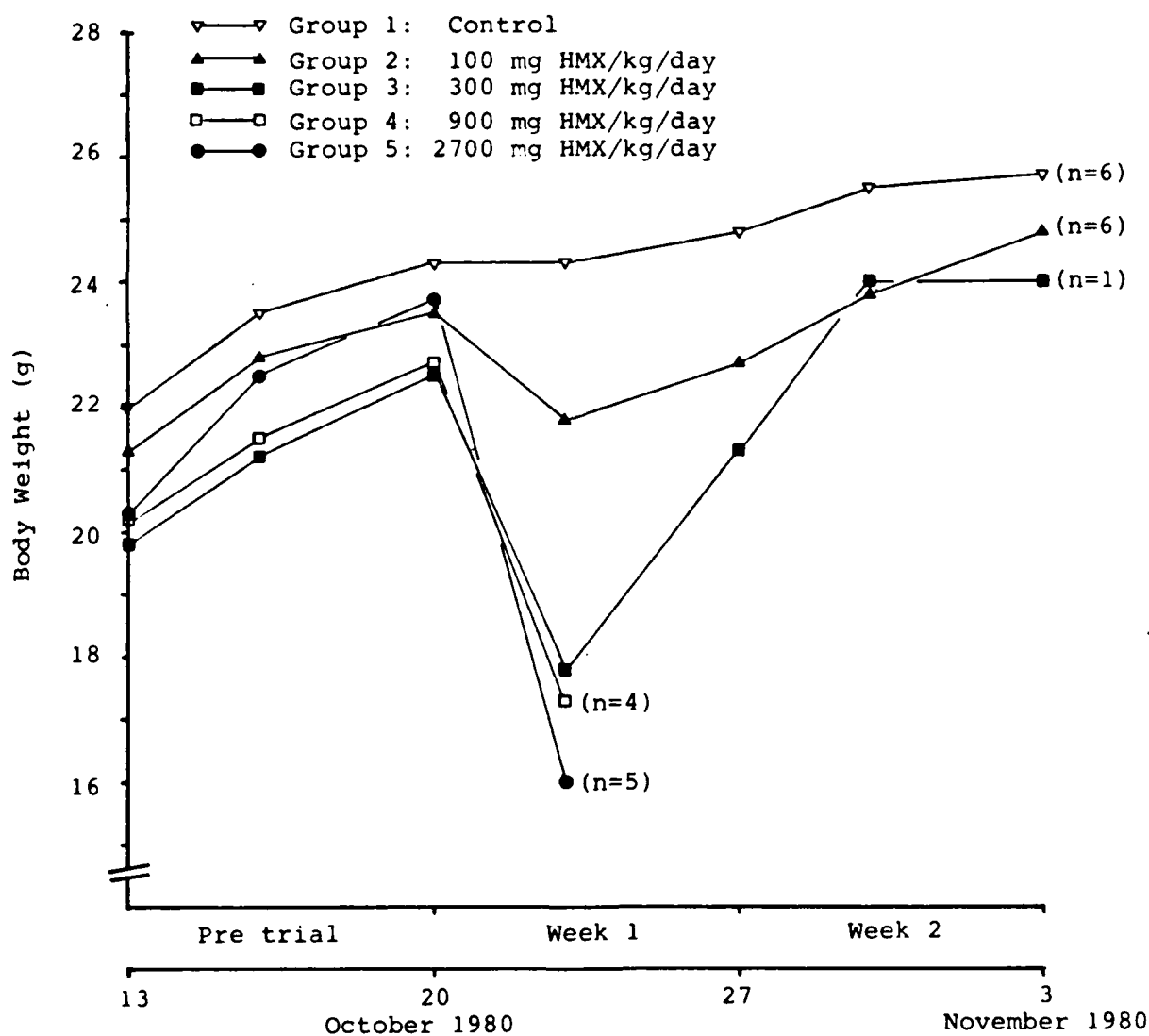
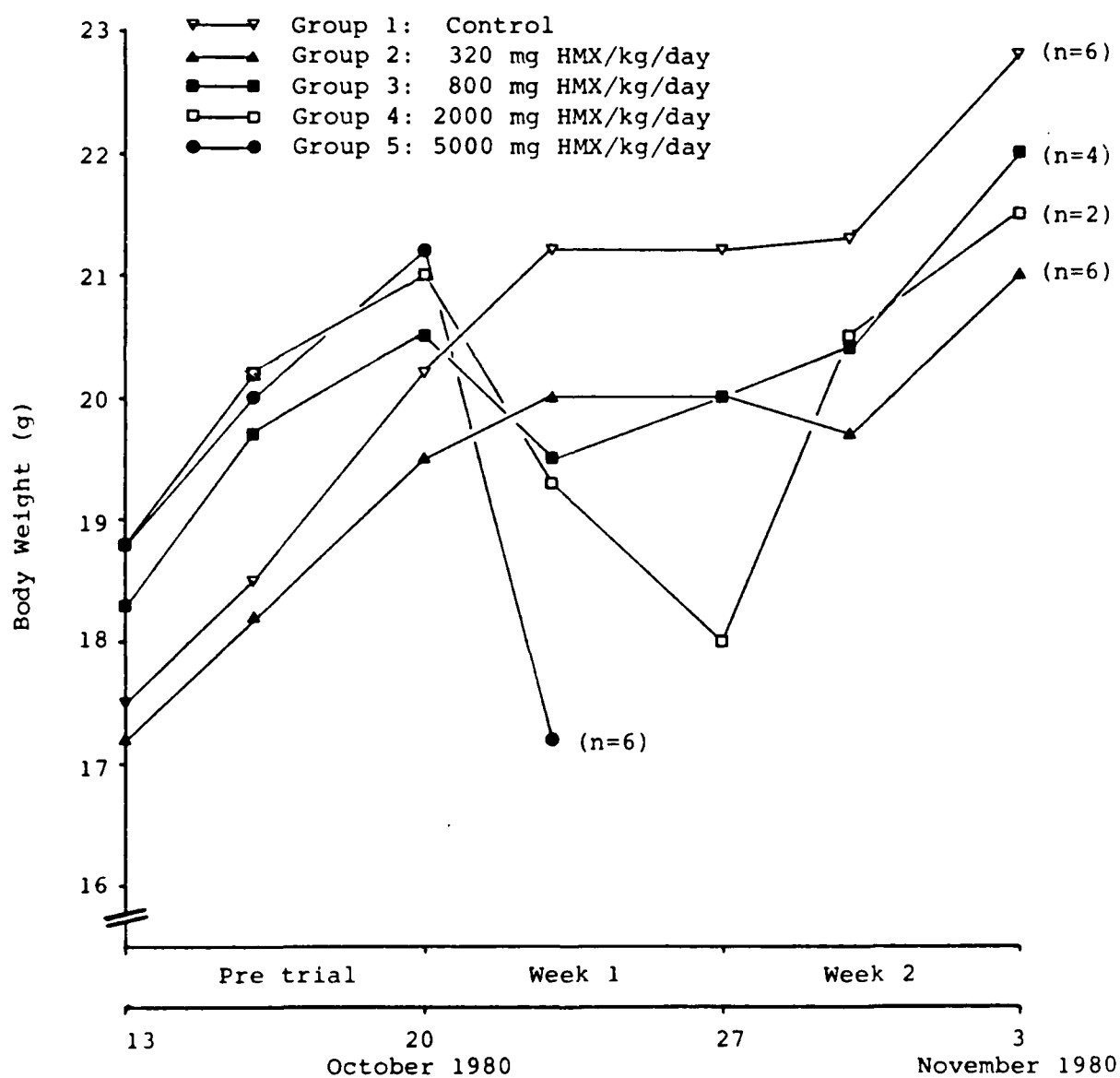


FIGURE 2

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Group Mean Body Weight (g) - Females



## APPENDIX 1a

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Analysis of Diet

B.P. NUTRITION (U.K.) LTD.  
SPECIAL QUALITY CONTROL OF LABORATORY ANIMAL DIETS

## CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

PRODUCT: RAT & MOUSE NO.1 (MODIFIED) EXPANDED FINE GROUND

BATCH NO: 919

PREMIX BATCH NO: P110

DATE OF MANUFACTURE: 15TH AUGUST 1980

Nutrient	Found Analysis		Contaminant	Found Analysis		Limit of Detection
Moisture	7.1	%	Fluorine	7.6	mg/kg	10.0 mg/kg
Crude Fat	3.5*	%	Nitrate as NaNO <sub>3</sub>	11.0	mg/kg	1.0 mg/kg
Crude Protein	14.9	%	Nitrite as NaNO <sub>2</sub>	< 1.0	mg/kg	1.0 mg/kg
Crude Fibre	2.2	%	Lead	< 1.0	mg/kg	1.0 mg/kg
Ash	4.8	%	Arsenic	0.23	mg/kg	0.2 mg/kg
Calcium	0.69	%	Cadmium	0.13	mg/kg	0.2 mg/kg
Phosphorus	0.53	%	Mercury	< 0.01	mg/kg	0.01 mg/kg
Sodium	0.22	%	Selenium	0.12	mg/kg	0.02 mg/kg
Chlorine	0.34	%				
Potassium	1.10	%				
Magnesium	0.13	%	Total Aflatoxins	NONE DETECTED	ug/kg	1 ug/kg each of B1, B2, G1, G2
Iron	231	mg/kg				
Copper	7	mg/kg				
Manganese	55	mg/kg				
Zinc	40	mg/kg				
			Total P.C.B.	NONE DETECTED	mg/kg	0.001 mg/kg
			Total D.D.T.	0.003	mg/kg	0.001 mg/kg
			Dieldrin	0.001	mg/kg	0.001 mg/kg
			Lindane	0.005	mg/kg	0.001 mg/kg
			Heptachlor	NONE DETECTED	mg/kg	0.001 mg/kg
			Malathion	NONE DETECTED	mg/kg	0.02 mg/kg
Vitamin A	7000	iu/kg	Total Viable Organisms	$1.13 \times 10^3$	per grm	1000/g
Vitamin E	60	mg/kg				
Vitamin C		mg/kg	Mesophilic Spores	$17.5 \times 10^2$	per grm	100/g
			Salmonellae Species	NONE DETECTED	per grm	Absent in 20 grm
			Presumptive E. Coli	NONE DETECTED	per grm	Absent in 10 grm
			E. Coli Type 1	NONE DETECTED	per grm	Absent in 10 grm
			Fungal Units	NONE DETECTED	per grm	Absent in 10 grm
			Antibiotic Activity			10 grm

\*repeat 3,4

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Dated

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## APPENDIX 1b

**HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice**  
**Analysis of Water**

# ICLS

International Consulting and Laboratory Services

**Analysis of a  
Sample of Water:**

Received

Your Ref

Our Ref G/B/3882

From **Inveresk Research International**Labelled **Mains Water Supply**Date **4.45 pm 13/8/80**Taken by **M. Scott** Witness **D. Brown**Signed **M. Scott**
**Results (in milligrammes per litre)**

Appearance

Bright with a few particles

pH 7.8

Electrical Conductivity  
Recorded Magnitude: Micro Siemens per cm at 25°C 150

Chlorine in Chloride 9

Hardness as CaCO<sub>3</sub> Total 75

Carbonate 60

Non-carbonate 15

Alkalinity as CaCO<sub>3</sub> 60

Free Carbon Dioxide 2

Dissolved Solids  
dried at 180°C 105

Copper (Cu) LT 0.03 Lead (Pb) LT 0.03

Cadmium (Cd) LT 0.001

(\* Absent refers to a detection limit of 0.03mg/l of each metal unless otherwise stated)

Comment

Volatile Total Dissolved Solids

Mercury expressed as Hg

Selenium expressed as Se

Dissolved Oxygen

Odour NIL

Colour (Hazen) 3

Turbidity (Formazin,  
A.P.H.A. units) 0.5

Nitrogen in Nitrate LT 0.1

Nitrogen in Nitrite LT 0.01

Ammoniacal Nitrogen 0.10

Albuminoid Nitrogen LT 0.01

Permanganate value  
4hrs at 27°C 0.55

Residual Chlorine LT 0.02

Iron (Fe) LT 0.03 Zinc (Zn) LT 0.03

Manganese (Mn) 0.04 Aluminium (Al) 0.03

Fluorine in Fluoride LT 0.1 Silica (SiO<sub>2</sub>) 4

10

LT 0.0005

LT 0.001

8.8

PCW/SL 23rd September, 1980

Signed

## APPENDIX 1b (continued)

ICLS

International Consulting and Laboratory Services

**Mineral Analysis of a  
Sample of Water: (after filtration if necessary)**

G/B/3882

Labelled

Mains Water Supply

(milligrammes per litre and millequivalents per litre)

Cations			Anions				
	mg/l	me/l		mg/l	me/l	mg/l	me/l
Ca	16	0.80	CO <sub>3</sub>	36	1.20	Calcium Carbonate	40 0.80
Mg	9	0.70	SO <sub>4</sub>	20	0.42	Magnesium Carbonate	17 0.40
Na	8	0.33	Cl	9	0.26	Magnesium Sulphate	18 0.30
K	2	0.05	NO <sub>3</sub>	0	-	Sodium Sulphate	9 0.12
						Sodium Chloride	12 0.21
						Potassium Chloride	4 0.05
						Silica	4
Total	1.88		Total	1.88		Total	104 1.88

\*usually present as bicarbonate

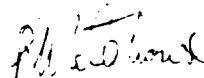
## Comment

This sample is practically clear and bright in appearance and is free from noticeable colour. The reaction is slightly on the alkaline side of neutrality and the water is soft in character with a low content of dissolved solids. The water is free from metals apart from a minute trace of manganese and is of a satisfactory standard of organic quality.

These results indicate, from the aspect of the chemical and mineral analysis, a wholesome water suitable for drinking and domestic purposes.

PSW/SHL 23rd September, 1980

Signed



APPENDIX 1b (continued)

ICLS

G/B/3882Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons

Fluoranthene	NDLT 20 ng/litre
Benzo (ghi) perylene	NDLT 4 ng/litre
Benzo (k) fluoranthene	NDLT 4 ng/litre
2, 3 C - phenylene pyrene	NDLT 4 ng/litre
Benzo (b) fluoranthene	NDLT 4 ng/litre
Benzo (a) pyrene	NDLT 4 ng/litre

Total P.A.H. NDLT 40 ng/litre

Organochlorine Pesticides

alpha B.H.C.	NDLT 10 ng/litre
gamma B.H.C.	NDLT 10 ng/litre
Heptachlor	NDLT 20 ng/litre
Aldrin	NDLT 20 ng/litre
Dieldrin	NDLT 40 ng/litre
p.p. D.D.T.	NDLT 20 ng/litre

Polychlorinated biphenyls

NDLT 400 ng/litre (expressed as AROCHLOR 1248)

NDLT = Not Detected, Less Than

APPENDIX 2

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Pre-experimental Analysis of Formulated Diets For  
Stability and Homogeneity

Time Analysed	Nominal Concentration (ppm)					
	1250 ppm		10000 ppm		25000 ppm	
	Mean	*Coeff Var %	Mean	*Coeff Var %	Mean	*Coeff Var %
Immediately after preparation	1177	5.3	10198	5.4	24817	2.5
After 14 d at 40°C	1234	3.8	10130	3.6	25004	4.4
After 21 d at Ambient	1291	3.9	10311	3.0	25598	3.5

\* coefficient of variation (%)



## APPENDIX 3a

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Individual Body Weights (g) - Males

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing						
		Pre-trial		Week 1			Week 2	
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14
0	401♂	24	25	26	25	26	28	28
	402	23	25	25	26	27	28	28
	403	21	24	24	24	24	25	25
	404	22	23	25	25	26	25	26
	405	20	21	22	22	23	23	23
	406	22	23	24	24	23	24	24
Mean ± S.D.		22.0 1.4	23.5 1.5	24.3 1.4	24.3 1.4	24.8 1.7	25.5 2.1	25.7 2.1

APPENDIX 3a (continued)

Dose Level (mg RMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing									
		Pre-trial		Week 1							
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14			
100	407♂	21	21	22	21	21	22	23			
	408	20	22	21	20	21	22	23			
	409	23	25	25	24	25	27	27			
	410	21	22	22	21	22	23	24			
	411	21	23	23	21	22	23	25			
	412	22	24	25	24	25	26	27			
Mean ± S.D.		21.3	22.8	23.0	21.8	22.7	23.8	24.8			
		1.0	1.5	1.7	1.7	1.9	2.1	1.8			

APPENDIX 3a (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing							
		Pre-trial		Week 1					
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14	
300	413♂	20	20	22	18	18	+	-	
	414	19	20	21	+	-	-	-	
	415	19	20	21	15	+	-	-	
	416	20	22	23	17	+	-	-	
	417	20	22	24	20	23	+	-	
	418	21	23	24	19	23	24	24	
Mean		19.8	21.2	22.5	17.8	21.3	24.0	24.0	
+ S.D.		0.8	1.3	1.4	1.9	2.9	0	0	

+ = Animal dead

APPENDIX 3a (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing							
		Pre-trial		Week 1					
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14	
900	419 $\delta$	22	24	26	20	+	-	-	
	420	20	21	22	15	+	-	-	
	421	21	22	23	16	+	-	-	
	422	20	22	22	18	+	-	-	
	423	19	20	21	+	-	-	-	
	424	19	20	22	+	-	-	-	
Mean + S.D.		20.2	21.5	22.7	17.3	-	-	-	
		1.2	1.5	1.8	2.2				

+ = Animal dead

APPENDIX 3a (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing									
		Pre-trial		Week 1							
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14	Week 2		
2700	425d	21	24	26	17	+	-	-			
	426	20	22	23	+	-	-	-			
	427	20	22	22	15	+	-	-			
	428	19	20	22	+	-	-	-			
	429	21	24	25	+	-	-	-			
	430	21	23	24	+	-	-	-			
Mean ± S.D.		20.3 0.8	22.5 1.5	23.7 1.6	16.0 1.4	-	-	-			

+ = Animal dead

## APPENDIX 3b

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Individual Body Weights (g) - Females

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing									
		Pre-trial			Week 1			Week 2			
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14			
0	431 ♀	18	19	20	21	22	22	22	23		
	432	17	18	19	20	20	21	21	23		
	433	18	18	21	21	21	21	21	22		
	434	17	18	20	21	21	21	21	23		
	435	18	20	21	23	22	22	22	24		
	436	17	18	20	21	21	21	21	22		
Mean + S.D.		17.5	18.5	20.2	21.2	21.2	21.3	22.8			
		0.5	0.8	0.8	1.0	0.8	0.5	0.8			

APPENDIX 3b (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing						
		Pre-trial		Week 1			Week 2	
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14
320	437♀	17	17	18	20	20	19	21
	438	18	19	20	20	20	20	22
	439	18	19	21	21	22	21	23
	440	18	19	20	20	20	21	21
	441	16	17	18	19	18	17	19
	442	16	18	20	20	20	20	20
Mean + S.D.		17.2 1.0	18.2 1.0	19.5 1.2	20.0 0.6	20.0 1.3	19.7 1.5	21.0 1.4

APPENDIX 3b (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing									
		Pre-trial			Week 1			Week 2			
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14			
800	443♀	18	20	20	20	21	20	22			
	444	16	19	20	18	18	19	21			
	445	19	20	21	20	21	21	23			
	446	19	20	21	20	20	20	22			
	447	20	20	21	21	23	22	†			
	448	18	19	20	18	17	†	-			
Mean + S.D.		18.3 1.4	19.7 0.5	20.5 0.5	19.5 1.2	20.0 2.2	20.4 1.1	22.0 0.8			

† = Animal dead



APPENDIX 3b (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing							
		Pre-trial		Week 1			Week 2		
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14	
2000	449♀	18	20	20	18	+	-	-	-
	450	18	20	20	19	+	-	-	-
	451	19	20	21	19	18	21	21	21
	452	19	20	21	20	18	20	22	22
	453	19	20	22	20	+	-	-	-
	454	20	21	22	20	+	-	-	-
Mean + S.D.		18.8 0.8	20.2 0.4	21.0 0.9	19.3 0.8	18.0 0.0	20.5 0.7	21.5 0.7	

+ = Animal dead

## APPENDIX 3b (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Animal Number/Sex	Treatment Week/Day of Dosing							
		Pre-trial		Week 1					
		7	4	0	3	7	10	14	
5000	4559	19	20	21	16	†	-	-	
	456	20	21	23	20	†	-	-	
	457	18	20	21	18	†	-	-	
	458	19	20	21	17	†	-	-	
	459	18	19	20	15	†	-	-	
	460	19	20	21	17	†	-	-	
Mean ± S.D.		18.8	20.0	21.2	17.2	-	-	-	
		0.8	0.6	1.0	1.7				

† = Animal dead

## APPENDIX 4

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Formulated Diet Analysis

Treatment Week	Dose Group/ Sex	Dose Level (mg HMX/ kg/day)	Theoretical Concentration (ppm)	Observed Concentration (PPM)			Mean Concentration (ppm)	Standard Deviation (ppm)	Deviation (%) from Mean Concentration
				Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3			
1	1♂	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	100	483	527	478	559	521	+ 41	+ 7.9
	3	300	1513	1534	1515	1593	1547	+ 41	+ 2.2
	4	900	4856	4833	4562	6439	5278	+ 1015	+ 8.7
	5	2700	12547	11852	12904	13705	12820	+ 929	+ 2.2
	1♀	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	320	1331	1295	1293	1371	1320	+ 44	- 0.8
	3	800	3325	3088	3115	3253	3152	+ 89	- 5.2
	4	2000	7926	7878	7835	8614	8109	+ 438	+ 2.3
	5	5000	21078	22237	22115	22328	22227	+ 107	+ 5.5
2	1♂	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	100	500	548	505	493	515	+ 29	+ 3.0
	3	300	2014	2026	2127	2093	2082	+ 51	+ 3.4
	4	900	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	5	2700	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	1♀	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	2	320	1458	1463	1547	1553	1521	+ 50	+ 4.3
	3	800	4556	4698	4916	4941	4852	+ 134	+ 6.5
	4	2000	11613	11221	11256	11151	11209	+ 53	- 3.5
	5	5000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Theoretical concentration (ppm) calculated from predicted group mean mid-week body weight and predicted group mean food consumption

All animals in groups 4♂, 5♂ and 5♀ dead during treatment week 2

## APPENDIX 5.1

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
 Absolute Organ Weights (g)  
 Individual Values - Males Surviving 14 Days Dosing

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Kidneys		Liver
		L	R	
0	401	0.24	0.25	1.32
	402	0.25	0.27	1.46
	403	0.23	0.26	1.44
	404	0.25	0.26	1.50
	405	0.17	0.18	1.27
	406	0.22	0.23	1.31
	Mean + S.D.	0.23 0.03	0.24 0.03	1.38 0.09
100	407	0.21	0.22	1.29
	408	0.20	0.21	1.14
	409	0.22	0.25	1.59
	410	0.21	0.23	1.27
	411	0.20	0.21	1.20
	412	0.23	0.24	1.58
	Mean + S.D.	0.21 0.01	0.23 0.02	1.35 0.19
300	418	0.21	0.23	1.38

## APPENDIX 5a (continued)

## Individual Values - Females Surviving 14 Days Dosing

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Kidneys		Liver
		L	R	
0	431	0.15	0.17	1.26
	432	0.15	0.16	1.19
	433	0.15	0.16	1.32
	434	0.15	0.18	1.26
	435	0.16	0.17	1.23
	436	0.15	0.16	1.22
	Mean ± S.D.	0.15 0.004	0.17 0.01	1.25 0.04
320	437	0.14	0.16	1.18
	438	0.16	0.16	1.34
	439	0.16	0.16	1.34
	440	0.15	0.16	1.24
	441	0.13	0.13	1.16
	442	0.06	0.13	1.26
	Mean ± S.D.	0.13 0.04	0.15 0.02	1.25 0.08

APPENDIX 5a (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Kidneys		Liver
		L	R	
800	443	0.16	0.16	1.37
	444	0.13	0.15	1.19
	445	0.16	0.17	1.36
	446	0.16	0.16	1.38
	Mean + S.D.	0.15 0.02	0.16 0.01	1.33 0.09
2000	451	0.13	0.14	1.09
	452	0.15	0.16	1.44
	Mean + S.D.	0.14 0.01	0.15 0.01	1.27 0.25

## APPENDIX 5b

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
 Organ Weights as a % of Body Weight  
 Individual Values - Males Surviving 14 Days Dosing

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Body Weight (g)	Kidneys		Liver
			L	R	
0	401	27	0.889	0.926	4.889
	402	27	0.926	1.000	5.407
	403	25	0.920	1.040	5.760
	404	26	0.962	1.000	6.000
	405	22	0.773	0.818	5.773
	406	24	0.917	0.958	5.458
	Mean ± S.D.		0.898 0.065	0.957 0.079	5.548 0.390
100	407	22	0.955	1.000	5.864
	408	22	0.909	0.955	5.182
	409	28	0.786	0.893	5.679
	410	23	0.913	1.000	5.522
	411	23	0.870	0.913	5.217
	412	26	0.885	0.923	6.077
	Mean ± S.D.		0.886 0.057	0.947 0.045	5.590 0.355
300	418	25	0.840	0.920	5.520

## APPENDIX 5b (continued)

## Individual Values - Females Surviving 14 Days Dosing

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Body Weight (g)	Kidneys		Liver
			L	R	
0	431	22	0.682	0.773	5.727
	432	21	0.714	0.762	5.667
	433	21	0.714	0.762	6.286
	434	22	0.682	0.818	5.727
	435	22	0.727	0.773	5.591
	436	21	0.714	0.762	5.810
	Mean + S.D.		0.701 0.019	0.775 0.022	5.801 0.248
320	437	20	0.700	0.800	5.900
	438	21	0.762	0.762	6.381
	439	21	0.762	0.762	6.381
	440	20	0.750	0.800	6.200
	441	19	0.684	0.684	6.105
	442	19	0.316	0.684	6.632
	Mean + S.D.		0.662 0.173	0.749 0.053	6.267 0.255



APPENDIX 5b (continued)

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Body Weight (g)	Kidneys		Liver
			L	R	
800	443	21	0.762	0.762	6.524
	444	20	0.650	0.750	5.950
	445	22	0.727	0.773	6.182
	446	22	0.727	0.727	6.273
	Mean + S.D.		0.717 0.047	0.753 0.020	6.232 0.237
2000	451	20	0.650	0.700	5.450
	452	22	0.682	0.727	6.545
	Mean + S.D.		0.660 0.023	0.714 0.019	5.998 0.774

## APPENDIX 5C

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
 Premature Decedents - Absolute Organ Weights (g)  
 Individual Values - Males

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Kidneys		Liver
		L	R	
300	413	0.25	0.20	1.75
	414	0.17	0.17	1.39
	415	0.13	0.14	0.53
	416	0.14	0.14	0.61
	417 <sup>●</sup>	NDA	NDA	NDA
900	419	0.15	0.17	0.79
	420	0.13	0.14	0.59
	421	0.17	0.18	0.78
	422	0.14	0.14	0.57
	423	0.16	0.17	1.02
2700	424	0.15	0.16	1.27
	425	0.15	0.18	0.71
	426	0.16	0.17	1.03
	427	0.13	0.14	0.55
	428	0.15	0.15	0.83
	429	0.18	0.19	1.46
	430	0.18	0.19	1.11

● = Organ weights not recorded

NDA = No data available

## APPENDIX 5c (continued)

## Individual Values - Females

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Kidneys		Liver
		L	R	
800	447	0.19	0.21	1.80
	448 <sup>•</sup>	NDA	NDA	NDA
2000	449	0.12	0.12	0.54
	450	0.12	0.12	0.57
	453	0.15	0.16	0.91
	454	0.13	0.15	1.07
5000	455	0.11	0.12	0.55
	456	0.13	0.13	0.61
	457	0.10	0.11	0.54
	458	0.12	0.14	0.59
	459	0.11	0.11	0.52
	460	0.11	0.12	0.52

<sup>•</sup> = Organ weights not recorded

NDA = No data available

## APPENDIX 5d

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Premature Decedents - Organ Weights as % of Body Weight  
Individual Values - Males

Dose Level (mq HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Body Weight (g)	Kidneys		Liver
			L	R	
300	413	21	1.190	0.952	8.333
	414	19	0.895	0.895	7.316
	415	15	0.867	0.933	3.533
	416	15	0.933	0.933	4.067
	417 <sup>●</sup>	24	NDA	NDA	NDA
900	419	17	0.882	1.000	4.647
	420	15	0.867	0.933	3.933
	421	16	1.063	1.125	4.875
	422	15	0.933	0.933	3.800
	423	17	0.941	1.000	6.000
2700	424	19	0.789	0.842	6.684
	425	17	0.882	1.059	4.176
	426	19	0.842	0.895	5.421
	427	15	0.867	0.933	3.667
	428	17	0.882	0.882	4.882
	429	23	0.783	0.826	6.348
	430	19	0.947	1.000	5.842

● = Organ weights not recorded

NDA = No data available

## APPENDIX 5d (continued)

## Individual Values - Females

Dose Level (mg HMX/kg/day)	Animal Number	Body Weight (g)	Kidneys		Liver
			L	R	
800	447	23	0.826	0.913	7.826
	448●	17	NDA	NDA	NDA
2000	449	12	1.000	1.000	4.500
	450	13	0.923	0.923	4.385
	453	17	0.882	0.941	5.353
	454	19	0.684	0.789	5.632
5000	455	12	0.917	1.000	4.583
	456	13	1.000	1.000	4.692
	457	13	0.769	0.846	4.154
	458	13	0.923	1.077	4.539
	159	12	0.917	0.917	4.333
	460	13	0.846	0.923	4.000

● = Organ weights not recorded

NDA = No data available

APPENDIX 6

HMX: 14 Day Dietary Toxicity Study in Mice  
Gross Pathology and Histopathological Findings  
in Individual Animals

Abbreviations used:

TK	Terminal kill
KIE	Killed <u>in extremis</u>
FD	Found dead
NAD	No abnormality detected
HE	Haematoxylin and Eosin
SS	Special stain

APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 1    0 mg HMX/ka/day  
Animal No: 401      Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

Animal No: 401	Sex: ♂	2 weeks	TK
Internal and External Necropsy Findings		Organ	Histopathology
NAD			NAD

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

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APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 1  
Animal No: 403      Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

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APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 4156695M      Group No: 1  
Animal No: 404      Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

Animal No.	Sex	Age	TK	Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	HL	Number of Sections Examined	CC
404	♂	2 weeks		NAD		NAD	1 Liver 2 Kidney 1 Heart 1 Spleen 1 Thymus 1 Brain		

## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM Group No: 1  
Animal No: 405 Sex: c

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

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Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

Animal No: 406	Sex: ♂	2 weeks	TK
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	<div> <div>HE</div> <div>SS</div> </div> <div> <div>Number of Sections Examined</div> <div> <div>Liver</div> <div>1</div> </div> <div> <div>Kidney</div> <div>2</div> </div> <div> <div>Heart</div> <div>1</div> </div> <div> <div>Spleen</div> <div>1</div> </div> <div> <div>Thymus</div> <div>1</div> </div> <div> <div>Brain</div> <div>3</div> </div> </div>
NAD		NAD	







APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM    Group No: 3  
 Animal No: 416    Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
4 days	KIE

Animal No: 416	Sex: ♂	4 days	KIE	
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined	
Penis red and protruding.	Liver	Cytoplasm of hepatocytes eosinophilic. Increased cellularity. Lymphocyte depletion.	HE	SS
			1	Liver
	2		Kidney	
	1		Heart	
	1		Spleen	
	1		Thymus	
	1		Brain	





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Time on Study	Death
5 days	FD

Animal No:	Sex:	FD	5 days	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined
419	♂				HE SS
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology			
Small and pale.	Liver	Cytoplasm of hepatocytes eosinophilic, increased cellularity.		1 Liver 2 Kidney 1 Heart 1 Spleen 0 Thymus 3 Brain	
	Spleen	White and red pulp depletion.			

APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 4  
Animal No: 420      Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
3 days	KIE

Animal No: 420	Sex: ♂	3 days	KIE	Number of Sections Examined	
				HE	SS
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology			
Very small.	Liver	Cytoplasm of hepatocytes eosinophilic, increased cellularity.			1 Liver
	Spleen	White and red pulp depletion.			2 Kidney
	Thymus	Lymphocyte depletion.			1 Heart
Penis erect and red.					1 Spleen
					1 Thymus
					3 Brain

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 4  
Animal No: 421      Sex: ♂

Project No: 415669SM

**Group No: 4**

**Sex:** ♂

Time on Study	Death
3 days	FD

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Time on Study	Death
2 days	FD

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## Death

Time on Study	Death
3 days	KIE

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## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 5  
Animal No: 426      Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
2 days	FD

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## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415469SM      Group No: 5  
 Animal No: 427              Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
3 days	KIE

Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined	
			HE	SS
Small.	Liver	Cytoplasm of hepatocytes eosinophilic, increased cellularity.	1	Liver
			2	Kidney
			1	Heart
			1	Spleen
			0	Thymus
	Spleen	Some degree of red and white pulp depletion.	3	Brain

## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 5  
 Animal No: 428      Sex: ♂

Time on Study	Death
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Time on Study	Death
1 day	FD

Animal No: 429	Sex: ♂	1 day	FD
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined
Pale.	Liver	NAD  Some red pulp depletion.  Sections fairly autolytic.	1 Liver
Pale.	Spleen		2 Kidney
			1 Heart
			1 Spleen
			1 Thymus
			1 Brain
			SS



Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 1      0 mg HMX/kg/day  
Animal No: 431      Sex: ♀

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

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## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM  
Animal No: 432  
Sex: ♀  
Group No: 1

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

Animal No: 432	Sex: ♀	2 weeks	TK
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	<div> <div>HE</div> <div>SS</div> </div> <div> <div>Number of Sections Examined</div> <div>1 Liver</div> <div>2 Kidney</div> <div>1 Heart</div> <div>1 Spleen</div> <div>1 Thymus</div> <div>3 Brain</div> </div>
NAD		NAD	

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 1  
Animal No: 433      Sex: ♀

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

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Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

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Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 1  
Animal No: 435      Sex: ♀

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

Animal No: 435	Sex: Y	2 weeks	TK
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	<div> <div>HE</div> <div>SS</div> <div>Number of Sections Examined</div> </div>
NAD		NAD	<div> <div>1</div> <div>2</div> <div>1</div> <div>1</div> <div>1</div> <div>3</div> </div> <div> <div>Liver</div> <div>Kidney</div> <div>Heart</div> <div>Spleen</div> <div>Thymus</div> <div>Brain</div> </div>

Project No: 415669SM  
Animal No: 436  
Sex: ♀  
Group No: 1

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	TK

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APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 3      800 mg HMX/kg/day  
Animal No: 447      Sex: ♀

Time on Study	Death
2 weeks	FD

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Time on Study	Death
8 days	FD

Animal No: 448	Sex: ♀	8 days	FD
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organs	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined HE SS
Very pale.  Darker red than normal.	Spleen Thymus Lungs	Red pulp and some white pulp depletion. Lymphocyte depletion. Congested and autolytic.	1 Liver 2 Kidney 1 Heart 1 Spleen 1 Thymus 1 Brain 1 Lung





## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Time on Study	Death
6 days	FD

Project No: 415669SM    Group No: 4  
 Animal No: 453    Sex: ♀

Animal No: 453	Sex: ♂	6 days	FD	
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined	
Small and pale.	Liver	Cytoplasm of hepatocytes eosinophilic. Some degree increased cellularity.  Red and white pulp depletion.  Some lymphocyte depletion.  Sections fairly autolytic.	HE	SC
	Spleen  Thymus		1	Liver
			2	Kidney
			1	Heart
			1	Spleen
		1	Thymus	
		1	Brain	
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## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 4  
 Animal No: 454              Sex: ♀

Time on Study	Death
4 days	FD

Animal No: 454	Sex: ♀	4 days	FD		
Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	HE	Number of Sections Examined	SS
Small.	Liver	Slight increase in cellularity. Red pulp and some white pulp depletion. Lymphocyte depletion.	1	Liver	
	Spleen		2	Kidney	
	Thymus		1	Heart	
			1	Spleen	
			1	Thymus	
			3	Brain	





## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 5  
 Animal No: 457      Sex: ♀

Time on Study	Death
6 days	KIE

Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined	
			HE	SS
Small.	Liver	Cytoplasm of hepatocytes eosinophilic, increased cellularity.	1 Liver	
			2 Kidney	
			1 Heart	
			1 Spleen	
			2 Thymus	
	Spleen	Red and white pulp depletion.	3 Brain	





## APPENDIX 6 (continued)

Project No: 415669SM      Group No: 5  
 Animal No: 460      Sex: ♀

Time on Study	Death
6 days	FD

Internal and External Necropsy Findings	Organ	Histopathology	Number of Sections Examined	
			HE	SS
Small.	Liver	Eosinophilic cytoplasm. Increased cellularity.	1	Liver
			2	Kidney
			1	Heart
			1	Spleen
			1	Thymus
	Spleen	Too autolytic. Sections autolytic.	3	Brain

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